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1. CHARGE MET APRIL 22 WITH DEFENSE COMMISSION SECRETARIAT CHIEF HIMLE TO DISCUSS PROPOSED ITINERARY FOR JUNE VISIT OF DEFENSE COMMISSION TO U.S. (REF B). HIMLE APPRECIATED RECEIVING THIS PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR THE VISIT BUT FELT THAT IT SHOWED A CERTAIN MISCONCEPTION OF THE PURPOSES OF COMMISSION'S VISIT. HE ASKED THAT WE REVISE THE ITINERARY AS SHOWN IN PARA 3 BELOW.

2. AS WE HAVE REPEATEDLY NOTED, THIS IS AN IMPORTANT VISIT FOR LONG-RANG U.S. INTERESTS IN NORWAY. THE DEFENSE COMMISSION IS CHARGED WITH FORMULATING AN NORWEGIANDEFENSE STRATEGY FOR THE NEXT 10 TO 15 YEARS. HIMLE REITERATED THAT IT IS NOT GOING TO
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U.S. FOR TOURISM OR SALES EXPOSURE TO U.S. MILITARY HARDWARE.

CONSEQUENTLY, COMMISSION DOES NOT WANT TO USE ITS LIMITED TIME FOR VISITS TO DEFENSE CONTRACTORS AS PROPOSED IN REF B. SUBSTANTIVE HUB OF COMMISSION'S VISIT ARE PENTAGON/STATE DEPARTMENT BRIEFINGS IN WASHINGTON AND SACLANT/NORFOLK PORTION. HIMLE FEELS THAT MINIMUM TIME REQUIRED FOR BRIEFINGS ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES REQUESTED REFEELS IS FULL DAY EACH AT PENTAGON, STATE DEPARTMENT AND SACLANT.

3. FOLLOWING IS COMMISSION'S SUGGESTED REVISED ITINERARY:

JUNE 21 ETA WASHINGTON (EVENING)-HIMLE SAID COMMISSION IS UNABLE TO ARRIVE ANY SOONER.

JUNE 22 FULL DAY OF BRIEFINGS AT PENTAGON

JUNE 23 FULL DAY BRIEFINGS AT STATE DEPARTMENT (INCLUDING COAST GUARD PRESENTATION)
LATE PM DEPARTURE FOR NORFOLK

JUNE 24 SACLANT, NORFOLK WITH DEPARTURE LATE AFTERNOON FOR CAMP LEJUNE, DINNER HOSTED BY USMC CAMP LEJEUNE AND RON

JUNE 25 USMC BRIEFINGS AND DEMONSTRATION AT LEJEUNE (MORNING).
DEPARTURE FOR SCOTT AFB (POSSIBLY HAVE LUNCH ON AIRCRAFT).
AFTERNOON BRIEFINGS AT MAC, SCOTT AFB, HOSTED DINNER AND RON.

JUNE 26 EARLY MORNING DEPARTURE FOR OFFUTT AFB, NEBRASKA.
SAC BRIEFINGS (MORNING) AND HOSTED LUNCH. DEPART SAC FOR EDWARDS AFB EARLY AFTERNOON FOR F-16.
STATIC DISPLAY BEFORE PROCEEDING TO LOS ANGELES. RON LOS ANGELES.

JUNE 27 FREE

JUNE 28 MORNING BRIEFINGS AT RAND CORPORATION.
FOCUS HERE SHOULD BE ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES OF CONCERN TO DEFENSE COMMISSION, NOT RAND ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON ANY CURRENT
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STUDIES RELATING TO NORTHERN FLANK. LUNCH AT RAND.
EARLY AFTERNOON DEPARTURE FOR OTTAWA. GROUP WILL NOT RETURN TO US FOLLOWING CANADIAN VISIT.

4. HIMLE ASKED IF IT IS POSSIBLE FOR USAF SPECIAL MISSION AIRCRAFT TO FLY DEFENSE COMMISSION FROM LA TO OTTAWA. PLEASE ADVISE.

5. HIMLE AGAIN STRESSED THAT THIS IS WORKING TRIP AND GROUP WILL

BE PREPARED FOR VERY ACTIVE SCHEDULE.

6. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION THAT REQUEST REVISION
OF ARRANGEMENTS POSES NO SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES.
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